

**RESOLUTION 31-2008
A RESOLUTION DECLARING AN EMERGENCY
IN MADISON COUNTY**

WHEREAS, a head-gate failure occurred at the Hebgen dam and released a surge of water amounting to 3400 cfs, raising the average flow to levels 3 ft above normal along the northern flow of the Madison River about 2:40 p.m., Sunday, August 31, 2008, and

WHEREAS, at 5:15 p.m. on August 31, 2008, it became apparent that the resources required to successfully initiate the overall notification and evacuation plan for the Madison Valley, the incident exceeded the capacity of the indigenous resources of the county.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Madison County Board of Commissioners, that an emergency is hereby declared pursuant to Section 10-3-402 MCA and all provisions of the County Emergency Operations plan are in effect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be filed with the County Clerk and Recorder and the Montana Disaster and Emergency Services Division in Helena, Montana.

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THIS 2nd DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2008.

David Schulz, Chairman

Marilyn Ross

James P. Hart

ATTEST: _____
Peggy Kaatz
Clerk and Recorder